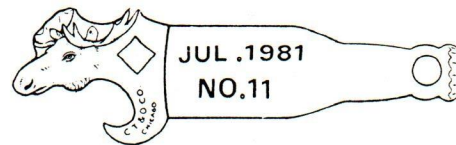


Just for openers



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They keep turning up...28 new discoveries in this issue. How many different types are there?

Herb Ashendorf turned up some dandies for his Brau Haus auction No. 4 which closed Feb. 27, 1981. The type N-44 from Inland Brewing Co. sold in that auction for \$67.21; the P-40 A.B.C. for \$98.50; the P-43 Kling for \$22.00. An A-42 marked "Drink Gold Top, Old top, that's the beer" sold for 25.12. Some other highlights: M-3 Seitz - \$66.36; M-1 #14 - \$31.00; H-8 #9 - \$21.00; B-4 #6 - \$26.17; C-12 #22 - \$20.00. Herb is preparing auction No. 5 for mailing this fall. If you are not already getting the publication, send \$2.00 to Herb at 21 Montclair Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710. In addition to some fine openers, there will be a lot of other breweriana as usual in the auction.

Joe Cardone's consignment auction No. 2 closed March 25, 1981. 105 out of 133 beer advertising opener lots were sold for \$502.11 or an average of \$4.78 per opener. 29 out of 41 non-beer advertising openers sold for \$82.85 or an average of \$2.86 per opener. 40 openers received no bid. Highlights included N-10 #1 at \$17.87; Z-1 at \$21.55; and D-6 #1 at \$9.15.

Joe Balaban advises that the April 30, 1901 patent date which appears on type P-7 was the date patent No. 673,153 was granted to J.D. Baseler and assigned to A.W. Stephens. This patent was for a knife with bottle opener. The bottle opener has a unique piercer incorporated into the design. The piercer bends or punctures the cap so as to render it worthless and certainly not reusable. Note this device also appears on type D-11.

BUY - SELL - TRADE (10¢ per word - deadline Oct. issue is Sept. 1, 1981)

BUY: Send me your list of all types of openers that you have for sale, as I need to build my collection. Also collect all types of Breweriana! James Spry Jr., 322 Pine Brook Rd., Englishtown, NJ 07726

WANTED: Send list of varieties not listed in Don Bull's books. (Ref. Price Guide, P. 3, Para. 4.). State condition & price. Gene Appel, 38915 Deer Run Road, Palmdale, CA 93550

WANTED: Canadian Beer Openers. Will buy or trade. Send description and price to: Dennis R., Orth, 8335-N. Ann St., Milwaukee, WI 53224.

WANTED: Cast iron 3-D free standing and wall mounted figural bottle openers. Any not shown in JFO #10. Bonnie Bull, 63 October Ln., Trumbull, CT 06611

CORKSCREWS: Want all types - I collect them if they remove a cork. Have many beer openers to trade. Joe Balaban, 8305 Christiana Lane, Indianapolis, IN 46256.

TYPES WANTED: A-11, 13, 14, 19, 22, 34, 36. B-6, 8, 10, 11, 26, 28, 37. C-23, 26. D-10, 11. E-19. F-19, 21, 17. G-10. H-9. K-6, 7, 8. M-7, 8, 44. N-15, 17, 24, 39. O-1, 7. All beer advertising corkscrews. Don Bull, P.O. Box 106, Trumbull, CT 06611.

MICHIGAN OPENERS WANTED: Phil Fouch, 20944 Eastwood, Warren, MI 48089.

DISCOVERIES (Types not previously shown in BEER ADVERTISING OPENERS - A PICTORIAL GUIDE or in JUST FOR OPENERS)

- A-41 Figure of dog. "Medford Lager Beer, Medford, Wis." (Murphy, Fouch, Neuser)
- A-42 Like A-18 but has Prest-O-Lite Key. "Franklin Brewing Company, Columbus, Ohio / New Life Beer" (Murphy)
- B-42 Like B-5 but has Prest-O-Lite Key. "R & H Stands for quality, tap the very best / Rubsam & Horman Brewing Co., Staten Island, N.Y." (Bull)
- B-43 "Bohemian Brew, Direct to you from Distilleries Sales Co., Kansas City, Mo. and Cairo, Ill." (Enloe)
- B-44 Cap lifter with Prest-O-Lite Key. Top ring is split for use as key chain. "Lembeck & Betz, Jersey City, N.J., Drink American Club Beer" (Reed)
- B-45 Cap lifter, button hook, corkscrew, Prest-O-Lite key. "Drink Lemp's St. Louis Beer" (Jay)
- C-35 "Fort Garry Brewery Ltd., Order Phone 74-4441" (Canadian - Winnipeg, Manitoba). (Balaban)
- F-22 Cap lifter and Sardine can key (!). "Wielands & Fredericksburg Beers / A. Mattei, Phone 167" (Walling)
- K-7 "Budweiser" Cast aluminum can piercer made by Bay Foundry Co., Tampa. Holes for bar mounting or wall mounting. 5½" high. Base plate 3" wide. Handle 8" long. Red. (VanVactor)
- K-8 "Schlitz" Wall mount can piercer. (Stahly)
- M-61 Block of wood with notch cut in back to slip over bottle cap and remove. Marked: "Push opener way in - then lift up. Save and return the cap with your bottles. Compliments of Jordan Brewing Co., Makers of Old Style Brew. It's Goodness is Famous. Buy War Bonds Now. Patent Applied for. (VanVactor)
- M-62 "Schlitz" Sliding cap lifter / can piercer in plastic "Bone" handle. (Lothridge)
- M-63 10" long cap lifter. "Season's Greetings from Mason City Brokerage Co. Distributors of Hamm's Beer" Salutes in various languages on reverse. Red, green, and white on black. (Nowicki)
- N-40 Belt buckle with opener in back. Submitted by Dennis Orth with an article about the manufacturer Bergamont Brass Works of Darien, Wis. Some U.S. beer brands produced include: Miller, Budweiser, Schlitz Malt Liquor, Olympia, Coors, Lone Star, Old Style. One mail order supplier is S. Fred Hawkins, 318 S. Woodlawn, Kirkwood, MO 63122. Fred sells them for \$5.00 + 50¢ postage each. (Orth, Goff)
- N-41 "Friendly Greetings, Quint Rubald, Grain Belt Beer" (Kaye)
- N-42 "Budweiser King of Beers" Knife blade marked: P2170537 & 2281712, Imperial Prov. U.S.A. Small blade marked: Beverage Can Opener 2361-889 (Schele)
- N-43 "J & V Distr. Co., Mattoon, Distr. - Fox DeLuxe Beer" Stainless steel knife/opener. (Enloe)
- N-44 "Inland Brewing & Malting Co. / Inland Pale Beer. Knife/cap lifter sandwiched between copper handles. Made by Dolphin Cutlery, New York. (Brau Haus auction)
- N-45 "New Metz Beer, Light 'n Liveley" Cap lifter and knife. Knife blade marked Ambassador U.S.A.. Blades fold into circle. (Santen)
- P-36 "Metz quality beer sine 1864. Cap lifter / knife / corkscrew. Blade marked Ambassador, U.S.A. (Bull)
- P-37 "Mound City Malt Syrup" Combination can opener / cap lifter / corkscrew / cocktail fork. (Santen)
- P-38 "Anheuser Busch" Combination knife (2 blade), wire breaker, corkscrew with two peepholes - one shows factory scene, the other Adolphus Busch. Factory scene on reverse. (Bull)
- P-39 "Franz Falk Brewing Co." (This brewing concern was acquired by Pabst in 1892. Combination corkscrew, knife, and wire breaker. (Balaban)
- P-40 "A.B.C. St Louis / King of Bottled Beers" Pearl handles, Corkscrew, knife, wire breaker. Blade marked "J.A. Henckels, Solingen. Corkscrew slides to right, then perpendicular to handle. In leather case. (Brau Haus Auction)
- P-41 "Olympia, Yes! 'It's the water'" The "Universal" cork extractor. Invented by H.W. Noyes. Patent Nos. 793,318 (June 27, 1905) and 824,807 (July 3, 1906) (Green)

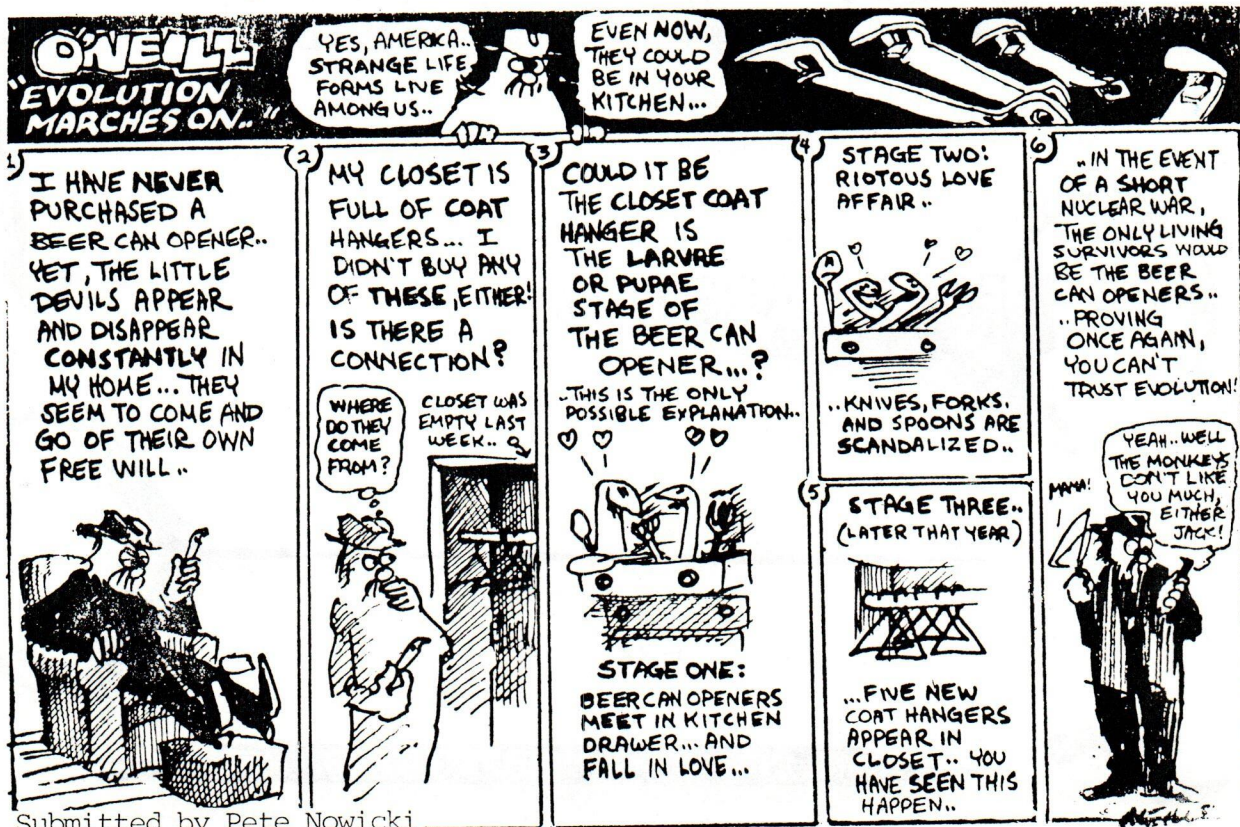
- P-42 "Bartholomay, Rochester" on two sides of square shank. (Bob Carter found it pays to eye all corkscrews very carefully when he discovered this fine piece)
- P-43 "Phillip Kling Brewing Co., Detroit, Mich." on both sides of flat face handle (Brau Haus Auction)
- P-44 "Bartholomay, Rochester" Beau Brummel type pocket corkscrew. Corkscrew stores in case and is pulled out and turned perpendicular to handle. (Balaban)

If you have a previously unreported Beer Advertising Opener, let's assign a type to it. The "Discoveries" deadline for the Oct., 1981 issue is Sept. 1. If you have a discovery, do one of the following:

1. Send the opener on loan for photographing. (to Don Bull)
2. Send a black and white photo of the opener in actual size with complete description - words and marks on both sides.
- or..3. Send a black and white negative of the opener with a tracing and complete description including exact dimensions.

Additions to the catalog of openers... Since the last additions were run in the January and April issues, hundreds of additions have been sent in. Ed Kaye has agreed to take on the task of bringing these up to date. It is a big, time consuming job to put all of these in order and cross check for duplicates and accuracy of reporting. If you have any additions at this time, please submit them to Ed Kaye at 1840 Major Drive, Golden Valley, MN 55422. It will help Ed tremendously if you follow these guidelines in reporting:

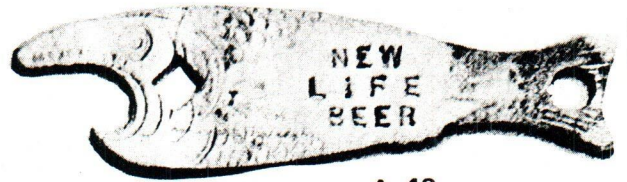
1. Be sure your opener isn't already listed. If a brewery name is on the opener, the alphabetical listing is usually by brewer rather than brand. Check for brewery first.
2. If possible, list in order of type and number.
3. Report exact wording on opener. Do not abbreviate unless the abbreviation actually appears on the opener.
4. Reports of additions previously sent to Don Bull have been forwarded to Ed Kaye. Do not duplicate these lists.



Submitted by Pete Nowicki



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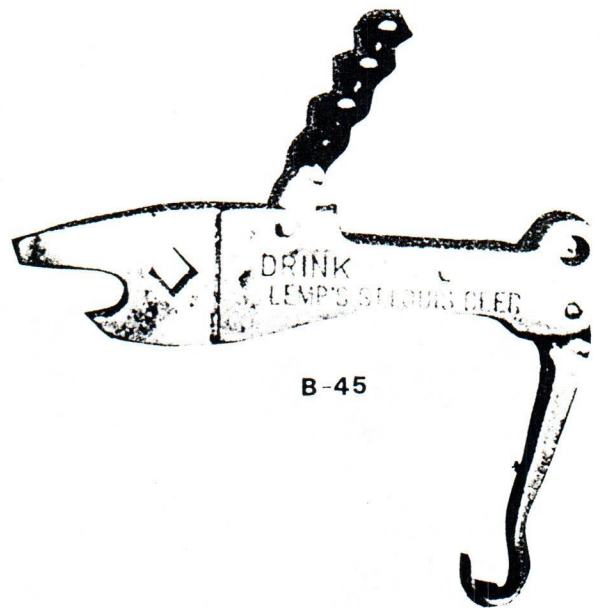
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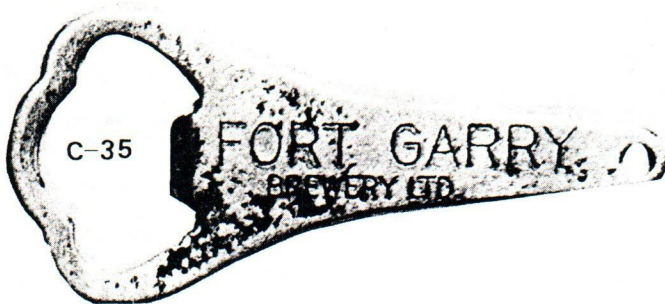
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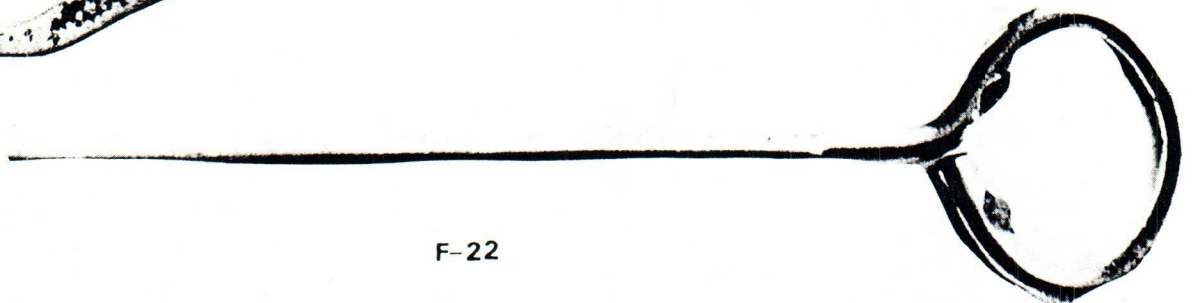
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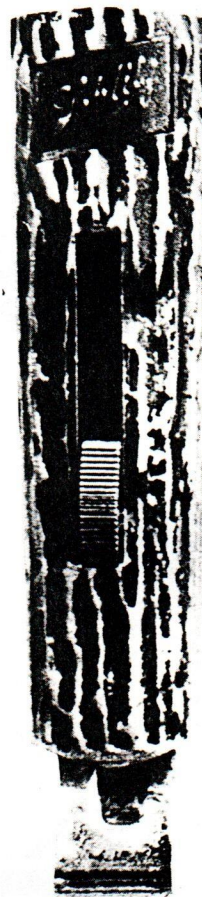
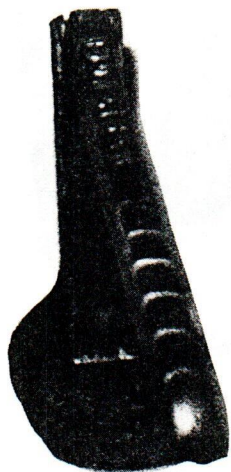
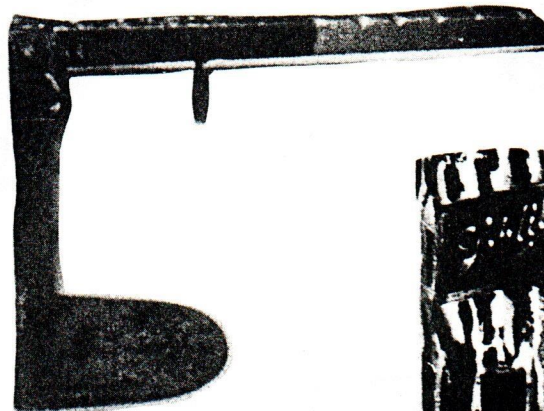


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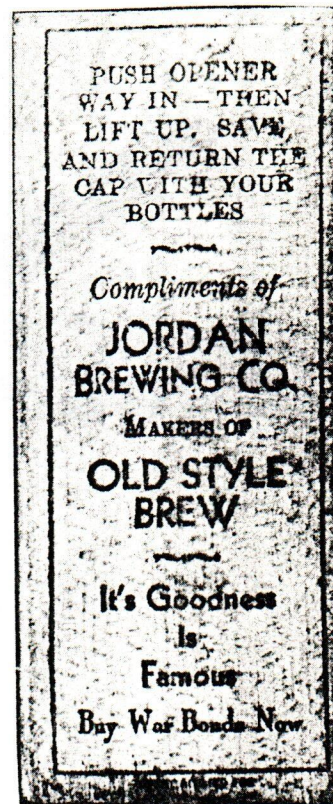
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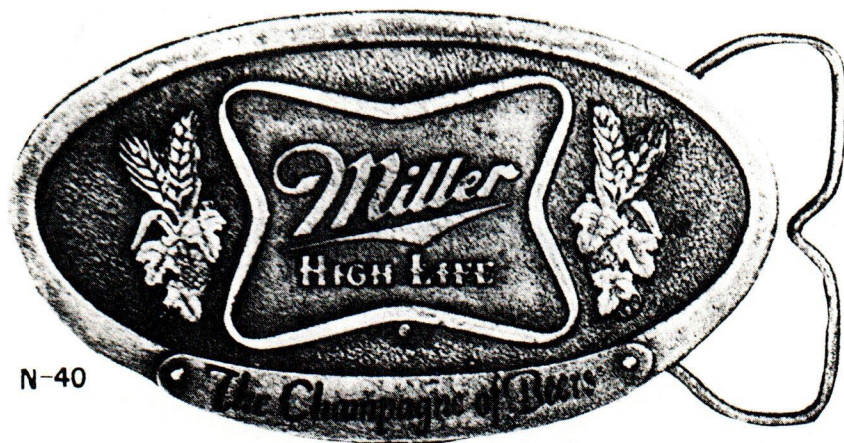
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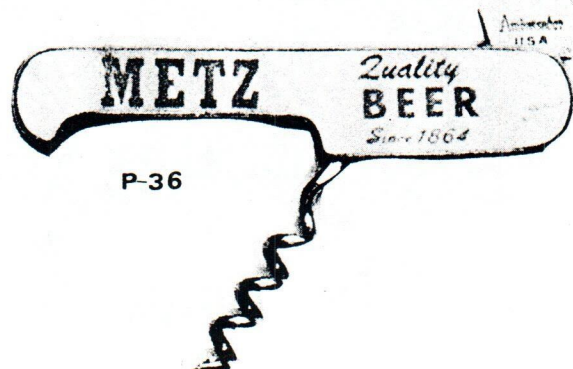
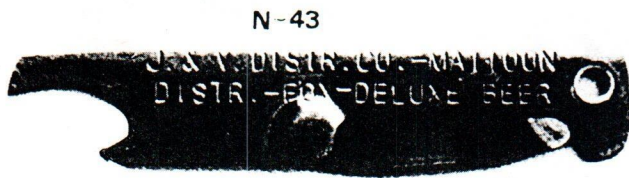
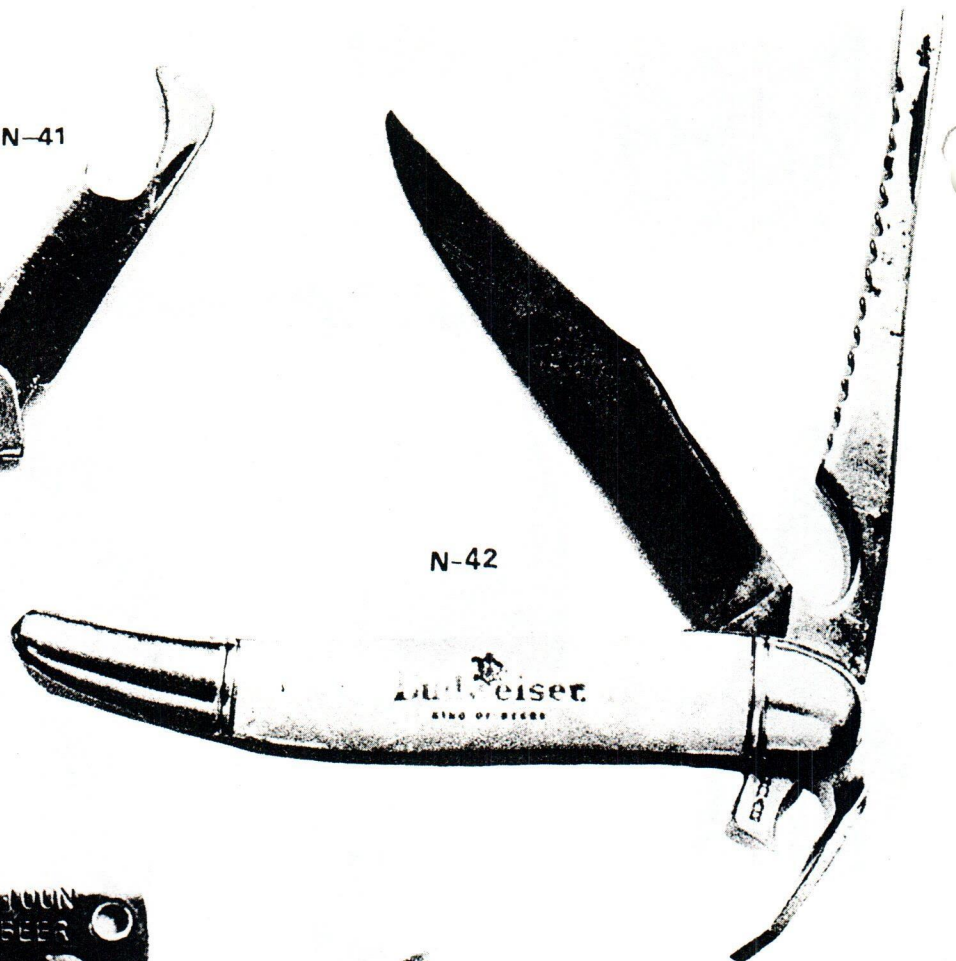
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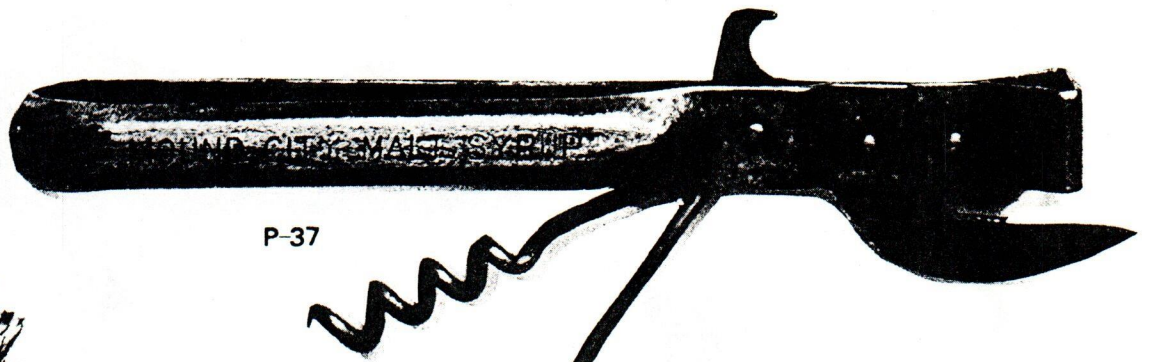


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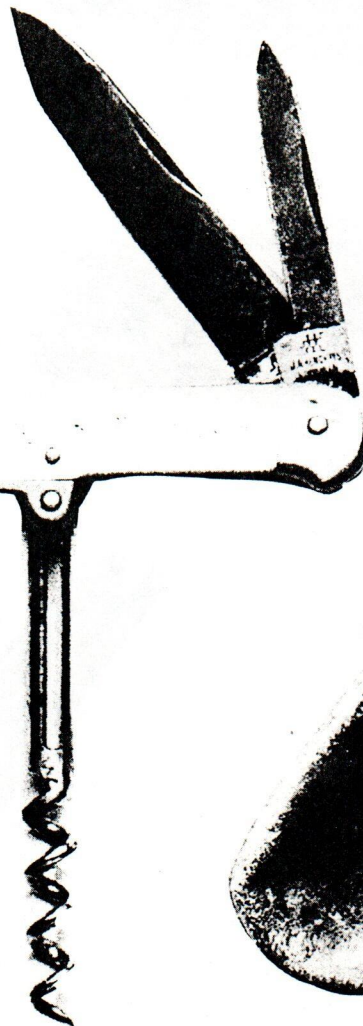
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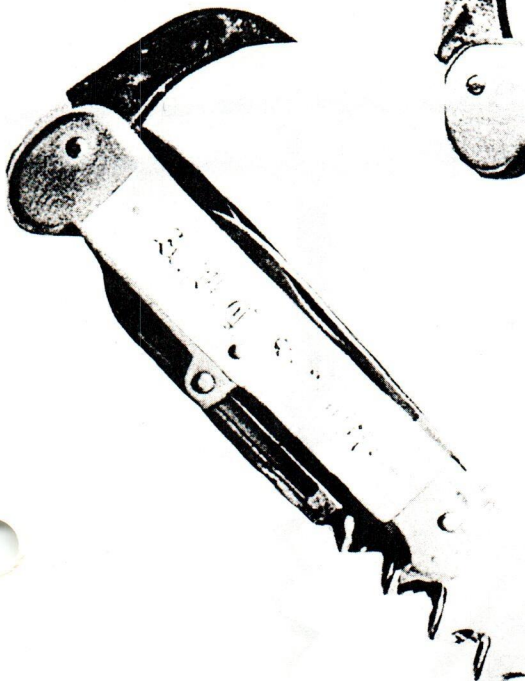
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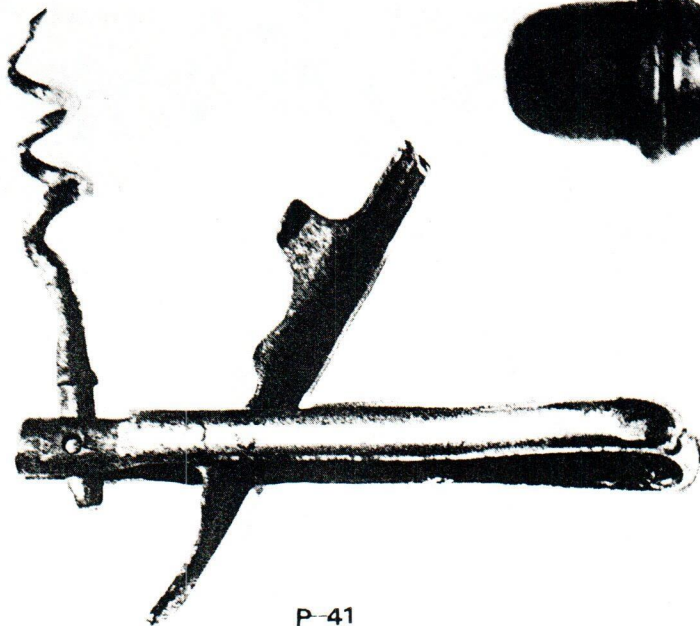


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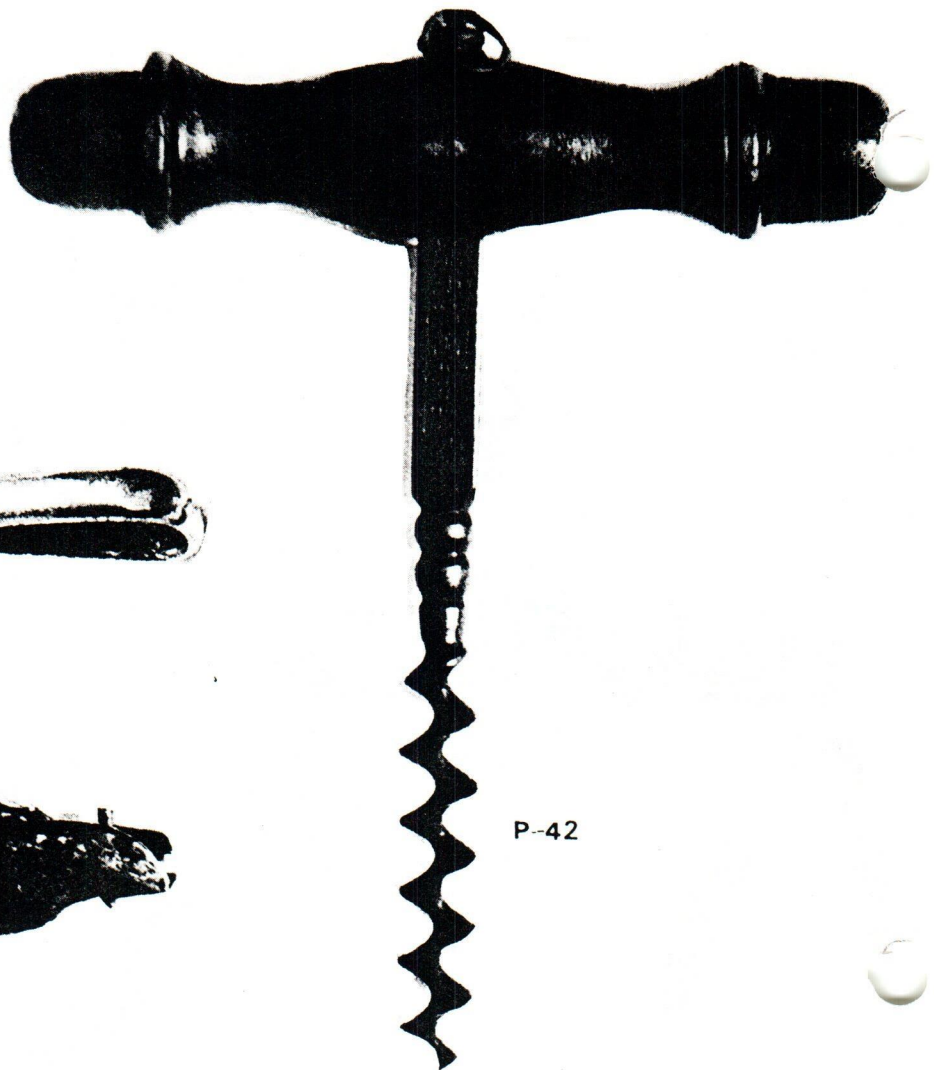
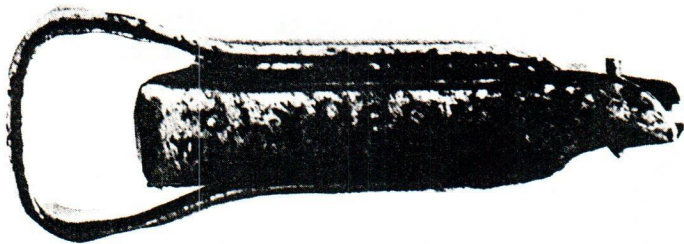


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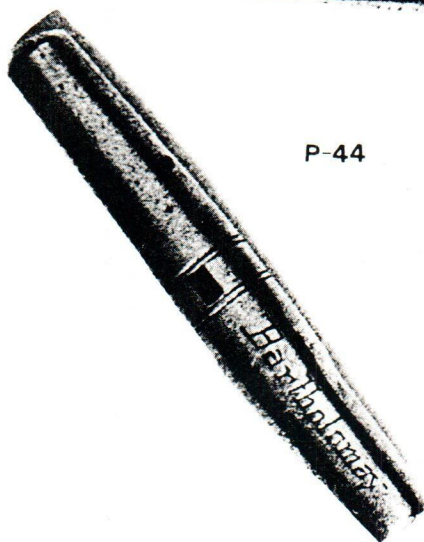
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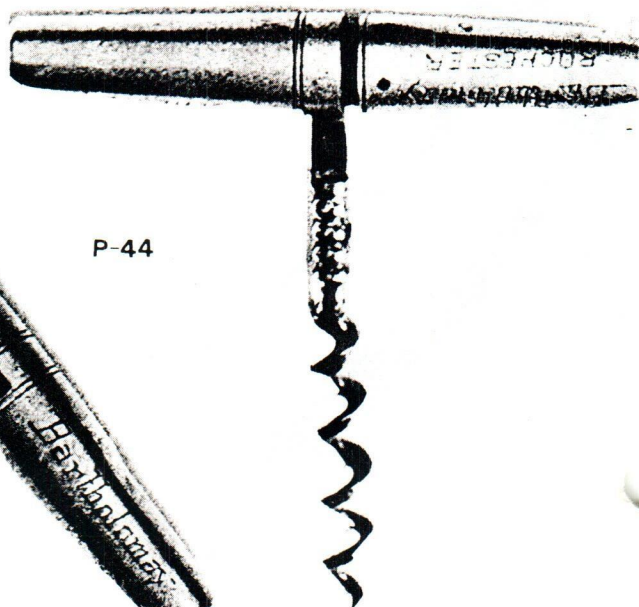
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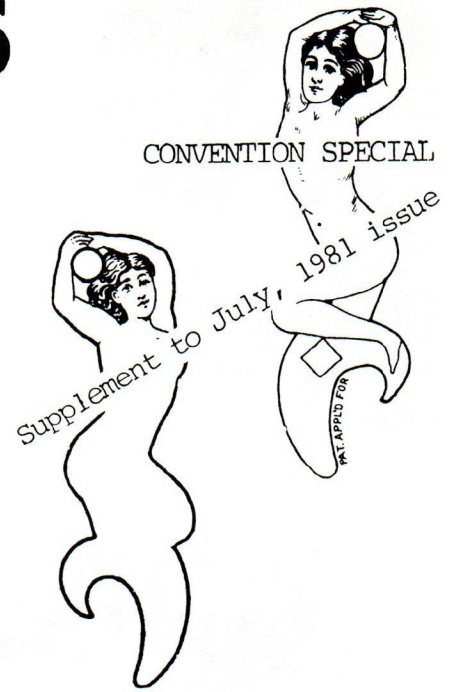
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Just for openers



This is a photo of most of the attendees at the 3rd Annual Opener Convention. They may seem a bit fuzzy in the photo and in actuality probably were after spending most of the day sorting through openers and... participating in a bit of revelry. Or is the blurr actually in the eye of the photographer after two nights of pre-convention hospitality?!



The 3rd Annual Opener Convention was held at the Holiday Inn-Northwest in Hazelwood, Missouri April 24 & 25. Bob Chapman, the third leg of the "St. Louis Three" put his heart into planning a good time and pulled it off very well. He deserves a round of applause as do his aides and former convention sponsors Ollie Hibbeler (1980) and Art Santen (1979). 28 collectors from eight states attended and 14 visitors dropped by to see if people really do collect openers!

No one was able to figure out who the sign was referring to!!!

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Ed Kaye shows off his map display of Minnesota openers. No...Ed did not stand by the sign all day welcoming guests. He was enjoying the wheelings and dealings with everyone else.....

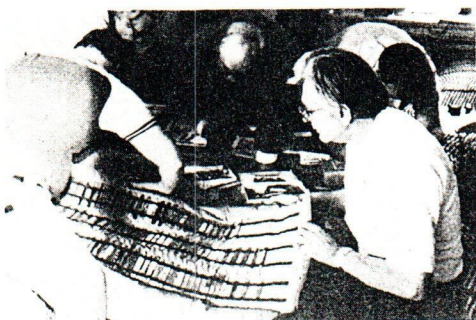




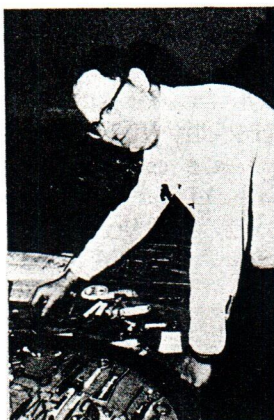
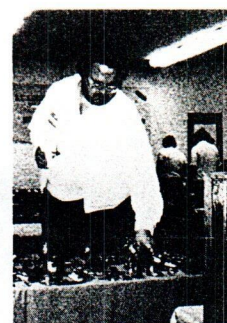
Early arrivals on Friday enjoyed the hospitality room from early afternoon through the wee hours of Saturday morning. Convention registration fees helped offset the cost of refreshments.

Joe Balaban (shown at left partaking of and guarding a bottle of wine) donated a case of fine wine to the cause.

Verne Vollrath (left) guards the Stroh's!



A lot of time on Saturday was spent bent over tables filled with openers. As seen here a lot of headtops could be seen throughout the day. Let's see how much hair is left next year! Above left looking at Joe Balaban's collection of corkscrew-knives is John Goff. Going clockwise...William Vesper, Jerry Schele, Al, Bob Stahly (lower right), Art Santen, Jim Osborn, and (at left) Norman Jay.





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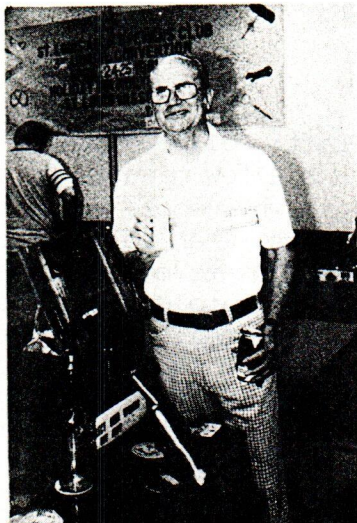
John Hyland, Ray Braeuner, Phil Fouch, and Art Santen and his son.

Below

The award for the best display was presented to Gary Deachman of Aurora, Colorado. Gary has fashioned interlocking B and C type openers out of pegboard from which hangs a number of openers. Gary has asked that special thanks be expressed in Just for Openers on behalf of him and his wife Darlene. They had a "fantastic time" and they tip their hats to the St. Louis Three for their fine work.



Other displays included. Below left: Bob VanVactor brought his P-35 (JFO No. 9) and latest discovery Type M-61 (JFO No. 11). Below center: Bill McKenzie and his display of Colorado openers. Below right: Bob Stahly and his wall-mount opener collection including new discovery Type K-8.And last but not least is the fine display at center left...that is Jerry Schele bringing a lot of good cheer and high spirits to all who attended!





Ed Kaye and Gary Deachman.



Bob Chapman tries to make a deal on a type O-4 Hyde Park.



Larry Biehl tries to buy an opener from Dennis Murphy for 10¢ -Dennis agrees!
A couple of very funny guys - all look forward to seeing them at Conv. 4.

Thank you for a great time, Bob. A lot of hard work and time goes into putting on a convention like this. I salute you for your fine job. And my thanks also to Ollie and Art. See you all at Convention 4....

Don Bull



Above: Bill Vollmar and Don Bull. Bill is the archivist at Anheuser Busch and was instrumental in the supply of a number of nice door prizes including the Michelob sign won by Jay Goff (above center). Bill stopped by the convention for a brief visit and answered a number of questions posed to him about Anheuser Busch openers and other artifacts.

If the wives tell you they didn't have a good time too...just look at all the smiling faces below! They'll be back.



Verne Vollrath's wife brought her cards and display of figural openers.



--Left: Ollie Hibbeler takes a few minutes to explain why people collect openers, when to collect them, how to collect them, and where to collect them. ...Ollie sez...Joe Balaban is hosting the convention in 1982 in Indianapolis and...you better be there